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Evelyn Scott

Because a shadow passed across the moon,
And the wind rustled in the mango trees.

FEAR

My soul leaps up at a sound.
What is the question I cannot answer,
That must be answered?
What is the blank face I must fill in with features?

My brain pulls, stretches, tears;
But I cannot open wide enough to see!
Always at the agonized point of conception,
But never conceiving.
Always giving birth,
But never born!
What is it I am to conceive?
To what must I give birth?

LITTLE PIGS

Little tail quivering,
Wrinkled snout thrusting up the mud:
He will find God
If he keeps on like that.

Evelyn Scott